



**City of Cedar Park breaks ground on Fire Station Number 5**  
***Voter-approved bond project will serve***  
***the fast-growing northeast and north-central parts of town***

The City of Cedar Park and Williamson County hosted a ceremonial groundbreaking ceremony for Fire Station Number 5 on Monday, October 2, at 4 p.m. at 1501 Cottonwood Creek Trail. This new fire station will house the Cedar Park Fire Department as well as the Williamson County EMS. At the ceremony, City and County leaders and staff were joined by chiefs, directors, firefighters and paramedics from the Cedar Park Fire Department and Williamson County EMS.

“This is the latest demonstration of our commitment to public service,” City of Cedar Park Mayor Matt Powell said. “It’s important that we provide our Fire Department with the best training, equipment and facilities.”

Fire Station Number 5 is a 2016 Capital Improvements Project (CIP) funded primarily by 2015 Bond Election funds, and includes additional funding from short-term tax notes and Williamson County. The Fire Station is approximately 13,250 square feet and includes space for one EMS crew, an EMS Commander and future space for a second EMS crew. The project is located near the intersection of Cottonwood Creek Trail and La Jaita Drive on land donated by Cedar Park Regional Medical Center in 2014.

Williamson County Commissioner Cynthia Long said, “we appreciate the collaboration on this project between the county, city and the hospital, and we appreciate and thank our citizens for their continued support of public safety.”

City of Cedar Park Fire Chief James Mallinger said, “Fire Station Number 5 will provide faster fire and EMS response to the fastest growing area of Cedar Park.”

Mike Knipstein, Williamson County’s EMS Director said, “Williamson County EMS is excited to continue our relationship with Cedar Park Fire Department by providing timely and excellent care from this new station.”

The City has hired Teal Construction, Inc. as the General Contractor for the project. The construction contract totals just under \$4.43 million, which is more than \$570,000 below the anticipated construction budget for the project. Teal Construction, Inc. has been in business for 70 years providing general contracting services for commercial construction projects and has constructed many fire stations across the state of similar size, scope and complexity.

Construction began in September 2017 and is scheduled to be completed by fall of 2018.

The design architect for the project is BRW Architects (Ray Holliday and Justin Dryer). The City's Third Party Project Representative is AGCM, Inc. (Stephen Karp). The City's design team was led by Fire Chief James Mallinger, Assistant Chief Adam Story, and Project Manager Randy Lueders.

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